

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1650

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 22 2015

RE: H.C.R. No. 138  
H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R.  
No. 138, H.D. 1, entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION TO EXAMINE ALL POSSIBILITIES TO ENABLE STUDENT  
ATHLETIC TEAMS TO RUN AND TRAIN OFF CAMPUS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the  
Department of Education to examine all possibilities to enable  
student athletic teams to run and train off campus.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in  
opposition to this measure from the Department of Education, Maui  
High School, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that athletic endeavors offer a valuable  
complement to a student's academic pursuits and often motivate  
student success on and off the field. Some sports require  
participants to engage in endurance training that requires long  
distance running which cannot be reasonably accomplished within  
the confines of a school campus. Concerns regarding student  
safety and school liability have driven Department of Education  
policies that prevent teams from training on public sidewalks or  
roadways. Such policies put public school teams at a competitive  
disadvantage to independent schools that are not subject to  
similar restrictions, and may discourage students from  
participating. The Department of Education should more closely



examine the issue to determine whether a finer balance may be struck between safety concerns and the need for athletes to access adequate routes for training purposes.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 138, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Education,

  
MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HCR138 HD1	EDU, SDL	4/20/2015		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)				/
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				/
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
THIELEN, Laura H.	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	7			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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